

# He Established a Testimony

## Scope and Sequence

Target Grade: Preschool

Intended Use: Sunday School

Lessons: 64 or 52

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*He Established a Testimony* introduces young children to the greatness of God in the Old Testament. Children are acquainted with a big picture of God and presented with a foundation of Bible doctrine. The 64 Old Testament story references are arranged chronologically, and key themes, which build a foundation to know and love God, are emphasized repeatedly to reinforce the concepts with children and to show the amazing consistency of a God who never changes.

The curriculum can be taught in 64 weeks or 52 weeks. The 64- and 52-week options are both outlined on the table of contents pages.

Teachers are provided with the Scripture reference, key themes, main storyline, “Hooks” (opening illustrations), and “Looks” (application questions). Teachers develop the Bible story through studying the passage and praying over the lesson. Preparation tips and instructions are provided for teachers. In addition, children are encouraged to begin memorizing the Foundation Verses produced by Truth78.

**Note:** Lessons that are only part of the 64-week curriculum option (and not the 52-week option) are indented in this Scope and Sequence document.

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## Lesson 1: God Creates the World and Man

### Genesis 1-2

God is the creator and owner of all things. He created the world by speaking with power. Everything God made is good because God is good.

**Foundation Verse: Genesis 1:1**

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## Lesson 2: God’s Curse and His Promise

### Genesis 3

Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and sin, death, and suffering entered the world. As a result, everyone is born a sinner. The punishment for sin is death, but God is merciful and loving. He provided a way for sinners to be saved.

**Foundation Verse: Matthew 6:24a**

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## Lesson 3: God Accepts Abel but Rejects Cain

### Genesis 4

Faith pleases God. Without faith, it is impossible to please God. Abel pleased God by bringing the right offering with a right heart of trusting God. Cain did not have a right heart and did not please God.

**Foundation Verse: Proverbs 3:5**

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## Lesson 4: God Judges the World and Sends a Flood

### Genesis 6-9

God must punish evil. But God is also merciful and, in His mercy, God saved Noah and his family. God was all-powerful in sending a flood to cover the whole earth. God was faithful in remembering Noah and the animals.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:6**

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## Lesson 5: God Confuses Language at Babel

### Genesis 11:1-9

Man thinks he is great, but God is greater than all. God will not share His glory with another. God confused language at Babel to scatter man to fill the earth as God had commanded.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 6: God Calls Abram and Makes Him a Promise

### Genesis 12:1-9; 15:1-16:2, 18-19; 17:1-18:15

God called Abram to leave his home and go to a new country. Abram pleased God by believing in Him and obeying Him. God promised to make a great nation from Abram.

**Foundation Verse: Isaiah 30:15b**

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### Lesson 6A: God Calls Abram and Makes Him a Promise

#### Genesis 12:1-9; 15

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**Foundation Verse: Isaiah 30:15b**

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### Lesson 6B: God Sees Hagar and Promises to Bless Ishmael

#### Genesis 16

God sees everything. He saw Hagar in the wilderness. God was merciful and loving in showing compassion to Hagar. God was faithful in promising to multiply Ishmael's descendants.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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### Lesson 6C: God Makes a Covenant with Abram and Gives Him a New Name

#### Genesis 17:1-18:15

God repeated His promise to Abram to give him a son and changed Abram's name to Abraham—"father of many nations." Abraham and Sarah laughed when they heard that God would give them a son in their old age. But nothing is impossible to God.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 7: God's Judgment on Sodom and Gomorrah

### Genesis 18:16-19:29

God was all-powerful in raining brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah. God is right to punish sin. God was merciful and loving in being willing to spare Sodom and Gomorrah for the sake of 10 righteous men and for sparing Lot and his family.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 8: God Sends the Promised Son, Isaac, and Cares for Ishmael

### Genesis 21:1-21

God was merciful and loving in giving Sarah laughter in her old age and providing a son for Sarah and Abraham. God provided for Hagar and Ishmael's needs while they were in the wilderness. God promised to make a great nation from Isaac and a different nation from Ishmael.

**Foundation Verse: Isaiah 43:5a**

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## Lesson 9: God Tests Abraham

### Genesis 22

God was faithful in providing a ram for the sacrifice to spare Isaac and promised His blessing on Isaac.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 119:105**

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## Lesson 10: God Chooses a Wife for Isaac

### Genesis 24

God was faithful in answering prayer and showing Abraham's servant who should be Isaac's wife.

**Foundation Verse: Proverbs 30:5**

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## Lesson 11: Esau Sells His Birthright, and Jacob Steals the Blessing

### Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1-28:5

Esau did not value the inheritance of God's promise to Abraham and Isaac. Jacob lied to his father and stole his brother's blessing. Even though Jacob deceived his father and stole his brother's blessing, God was faithful in fulfilling His promise and His purposes for Jacob.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 11A: Esau Sells His Birthright

### Genesis 25:19-34

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**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 11B: Jacob Steals the Blessing

**Genesis 27:1-28:5**

Even though Jacob deceived his father and stole his brother's blessing, God was faithful in fulfilling His promise and His purposes for Jacob.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 12: God Blesses Jacob

**Genesis 28:10-15; 29:1-31:16; 32:22-33:11; 35:16-18**

God honors His promise to Abraham and Isaac by blessing Jacob. Though undeserving of God's mercy and blessing, God cared for Jacob in Laban's household, gave him 12 sons, and kept His promise to bring Jacob back home.

**Foundation Verse: 1 Chronicles 16:34**

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## Lesson 12A: God Gives Jacob a Dream

**Genesis 28:10-22**

God was faithful to Abraham and Isaac by passing on His promise to Jacob. Jacob was given God's promise of blessing even though he did not deserve it.

**Foundation Verse: 1 Chronicles 16:34**

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## Lesson 12B: God Blesses Jacob

**Genesis 29:1-31:16**

In spite of Laban's dishonesty, God fulfilled His promise to make Abraham and his descendants a great nation by prospering Jacob and giving him a family.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 12C: God Brings Jacob Home and Gives Him a New Name

**Genesis 32:22-33:11; 35:16-18**

God was all-powerful and protected Jacob from Laban and Esau. God took care of Jacob and his family. He blessed Jacob and gave him a new name.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 13: God Gives Joseph Dreams, and Joseph's Brothers Sell Him

**Genesis 37**

God's favor was on Joseph, and He gave Joseph dreams about his future. But Joseph's brothers were jealous and hated him. So they threw him in a pit to die. God was all-powerful in sending a caravan at just the right time to spare Joseph's life.

**Foundation Verse: Proverbs 1:7**

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## Lesson 14: The LORD Is with Joseph in Egypt

### Genesis 39-41

God was with Joseph even while he was in Egypt and in jail. Because God is sovereign, He let Joseph prosper in Egypt and become a successful man.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 56:3**

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## Lesson 15: God Preserves His People in Famine and Brings Them to Egypt

### Genesis 42:1-46:7

Joseph's dreams came true, showing that God's words and promises never fail. God provided food for Jacob and his family through Joseph and brought them to Egypt.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:1-2**

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## Lesson 15A: God Preserves His People in Famine

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**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:1-2**

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## Lesson 15B: God Brings His People to Egypt

### Genesis 43:16-46:7

God sent Joseph to Egypt before his brothers in order to fulfill His promise and preserve Jacob's family. God repeated His promise to Jacob/Israel to make of his family a great nation.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 16: God Preserves Moses

### Exodus 1:1-2:10

Satan was working through Pharaoh to destroy the people of God, but God is sovereign and preserved His people by causing Pharaoh's daughter to find Moses.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:3-4**

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## Lesson 17: God Calls Moses to Deliver His People

### Exodus 2:11-4:31

Moses tried to help the Hebrews but failed. God heard the cry of His people, and only God could deliver His people. God called Moses at the burning bush to return to Egypt and bring His promise of deliverance to the Hebrews and to Pharaoh. God is holy, powerful, and faithful.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:5-6**

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## Lesson 17A: Moses Flees from Egypt

Exodus 2:11-25

Moses tried to help the Hebrews but failed. He thought his sin was hidden, but it wasn't. So Moses fled from Egypt to the land of Midian. God heard the cry of His people, and only God could deliver His people.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:5-6**

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## Lesson 17B: God Calls Moses to Deliver His People

Exodus 3-4

God called Moses at the burning bush to return to Egypt and bring His promise of deliverance to the Hebrews and to Pharaoh. God is holy, powerful, and faithful.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 18: God Sends Moses to Pharaoh

Exodus 5:1-6:13; 7:1-13

Moses confronted Pharaoh but, instead of letting the people go, Pharaoh made things worse for the Hebrews. But God is more powerful than Pharaoh and Satan. God knew what Pharaoh would do, and God was sovereignly working out His plans. No one can oppose God and win.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:7**

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## Lesson 19: God Sends Plagues on Egypt

Exodus 7:14-11:10

God sent plagues on Egypt, but Pharaoh still would not let the Hebrews go. God had promised to free His people, and God would keep His promise. God is jealous for His glory and wants people to know that He is a great God.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 121:8**

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## Lesson 20: God Passes over Israel and Leads Israel out of Egypt

Exodus 12

God passed over the houses of the Israelites with the blood of a perfect male lamb on their doorframes. God is merciful, gracious, and loving. He saved the Israelites and led them out of Egypt. He is pleased by faith and obedience.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 86:7**

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## Lesson 21: God Opens the Red Sea for Israel

Exodus 13:21-15:21

God led His people out of Egypt in a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. When the Egyptian army followed them, God fought for His people. He opened a path of dry land through the Red Sea, showing His power, faithfulness, and glory.

**Foundation Verse: Proverbs 18:10**

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## Lesson 22: God Provides Food for Israel in the Wilderness

### Exodus 16

The Israelites could not provide for themselves in the wilderness, but God is all-powerful and worked miracles to provide for His people.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 95:3**

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## Lesson 23: God Provides Water and Delivers Israel from the Amalekites

### Exodus 17

God cares for His children and miraculously provided water for Israel from a rock. Nothing is too hard for God. Victory for God's people comes from the hand of God, who can do what man cannot do. It was not Israel's strength that brought deliverance from the Amalekites but God's strength. God will not share His glory with another.

**Foundation Verse: James 1:17a**

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## Lesson 24: God Makes a Covenant with Israel and Gives Them the Ten Commandments

### Exodus 19-20

Man is unworthy to approach the holy God. But God has chosen a people to be His own. God established the law because He is the ultimate authority. The law is perfect and put in place to protect His people. Obedience brings blessing from God.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:2-3**

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## Lesson 24A: God Commands Israel to Make a House for Him

### Exodus 25-28

God commanded Israel to make the tabernacle where His presence would be known to them. He gave specific instructions that were to be followed exactly. The inner tent separated sinners from God, showing His holiness and man's sinfulness.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 25: Israel Makes an Idol, but God Is Faithful

### Exodus 32-34

Israel promised to keep the law but, because of sin, they built an idol, breaking the second commandment. God justly punished their sin, but He mercifully renewed His covenant with them and gave the new tablets of the law.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:4**

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## Lesson 25A: Israel Makes an Idol

### Exodus 32

Israel promised to keep the law but, because of sin, they built an idol, breaking the second commandment. God justly punished their sin but, even in His punishment, He was merciful and faithful to Israel.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:4**

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## Lesson 25B: God Is Faithful to Israel

### Exodus 33-34

Even though the Israelites broke their covenant with God, God was faithful to Israel. God is merciful and gracious, abounding in steadfast love. He renewed His covenant with Israel and gave them new tablets of the law.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 26: Israel Complains

### Numbers 11-12

The Israelites were ungrateful and lacked faith in God. But God is gracious and helped Moses by sending meat to feed the people. He also defended Moses against the complaints of Aaron and Miriam. God is faithful and just in His dealings with His people.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:7a**

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## Lesson 27: God's Word About Canaan Proves True, but Israel Fails to Trust God

### Numbers 13-14

The people of Israel continued to struggle with unbelief and ingratitude, which displeases God. Even though God had promised them the land of Canaan and had done many wonderful things for them, the Israelites failed to trust Him and take the land. The result of their unbelief was 40 years of wandering in the wilderness. God was pleased with the faith of Joshua and Caleb and, as a result, they would enter the Promised Land.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 28: More Disobedience and God's Salvation

### Numbers 20:1-13; 21:4-9

Moses disobeyed God and struck the rock instead of speaking to it. The people of Israel grumbled against God. God is just, and He sent fiery serpents among them. God is also merciful and provided a way for repentant people to be saved by faith.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 29: God Brings His People into the Promised Land

### Joshua 1-3

God placed the fear of the Israelites in the people of Canaan and opened the Jordan River for the people to pass through on dry ground. The living God never fails, and He will not forsake His people.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:8**

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## Lesson 30: God Gives Israel Victory in Jericho

### Joshua 6

God kept His promise to give Israel victory over Jericho. Joshua followed God's plan, and God caused the walls to tumble down. Nothing is too hard for God.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:12a**



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## Lesson 31: Disobeying God Causes Defeat for Israel

### Joshua 7-8

Achan took things in Jericho for himself that he was not supposed to take. As a result of this disobedience, Israel lost the battle with Ai, and Achan was punished. God is holy and cannot tolerate sin. He punishes sin because He is just and wants to lead man to repentance. Later, God helped Israel defeat Ai.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:13-15**

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## Lesson 32: God Calls Gideon to Save Israel and Destroy the Altar of Baal

### Judges 6

God chose the least man from the weakest clan to save Israel from the Midianites and to destroy the altar of Baal. God will not share His glory with another. He alone is to be worshiped.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 33: God Delivers Israel Through Gideon

### Judges 7

God is sovereign and brings deliverance to His people. He is powerful and can defeat a huge army with a very small army. Nothing is too hard for God.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 34: God Chooses Ruth to Be a Part of His Family

### Ruth 1-4

Ruth returned to Israel with Naomi, leaving her home and the gods of Moab. God chose Ruth to be part of His family and to be the wife of Boaz. God sovereignly chooses those who follow Him and is pleased when man trusts in Him.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:16**

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## Lesson 35: God Grants Hannah's Request and Calls Samuel

### 1 Samuel 1-3

God hears His children when they cry to Him and is sovereign over all, including the womb. He will honor those who honor Him and despise those who despise Him.

**Foundation Verse: Exodus 20:17a**

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## Lesson 36: God Shows He Is Greater than the Idol Dagon

### 1 Samuel 4-6

When the ark of the covenant was placed in the temple of the idol Dagon, it fell in front of the ark. God is the one true God, and His word always proves true.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 37: The Israelites Reject God as Their King and Choose Man to Be Their King

1 Samuel 8:1-10:25

The Israelites wanted a king like the other nations. They rejected God's rule and wanted a man to rule them. Samuel warned the people that choosing a king was foolish. But the people were stubborn and insisted they wanted a king. God's rule is best, and rejecting God's ways brings consequences.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 38: God Rejects Saul and Chooses David as King of Israel

1 Samuel 13:5-14; 15:1-16:3

Because of Saul's disobedience and disregard for God, God took the kingdom away from him and chose David as the next king of Israel. God delights in obedience more than in offerings. He looks at the heart of the person, not the outside. David was pleasing to the LORD because he loved God.

**Foundation Verse: Ephesians 6:1**

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## Lesson 39: The LORD Delivers Israel from the Philistines

1 Samuel 17:1-54

David was victorious over Goliath because he trusted in the God of Israel. Deliverance for God's people comes from God. He will exalt His name and protect His reputation.

**Foundation Verse: Joshua 1:9b**

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## Lesson 39A: David Trusts God and Spares Saul's Life

1 Samuel 23:15-17; 24; 26

God promised that David would be king of Israel, but David refused to take Saul's life to become king. David did what was right even when he was given bad advice. David trusted God and did what was right. It is always good to trust God and do what is right. God can be trusted, and His ways are always right. God will always keep His promises.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 40: David Breaks God's Commandments and Repents

2 Samuel 11:1-12:25; Psalm 51

David sinned against God by taking another man's wife and having the man killed. When David was confronted with his sin, he did not make excuses but repented. Sin displeases God and He will punish sin, but God is rich in mercy and His forgiveness is great.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:1**

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## Lesson 41: God Chooses Solomon to Build the Temple

1 Chronicles 28:1-29:19; 2 Chronicles 6:12-18

David wanted to build a house for the LORD, but God chose Solomon to build the temple. God is great, powerful, victorious, and full of majesty. God owns all things and rules over all things. We need God; everything man has comes from God.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 42: God Withholds Rain but Cares for Those Who Trust Him

1 Kings 16:29-17:16

Ahab was an evil king who worshiped false gods. So God stopped the rain to show that He is the one true God. He took care of Elijah by sending birds to feed him, and He took care of a widow with flour and oil that did not run out. God is supreme and all-powerful. He is faithful to those who worship Him.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:2**

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## Lesson 43: The LORD-God Defeats the Prophets of Baal

1 Kings 18

God proved He is the one true God by defeating the 450 prophets of Baal and sending His fire to consume Elijah's offering. After sovereignly withholding rain, God sovereignly sent rain.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:3**

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## Lesson 44: God Performs Miracles Through Elisha

2 Kings 4:1-37

God took care of a widow and her sons by multiplying the oil in one jar to fill many jars. God also gave a woman a son and, when the son died, Elisha prayed and God brought the boy back to life. God is all-powerful—there is nothing He cannot do.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 45: God Cleanses Naaman

2 Kings 5:1-16

Naaman went to Elisha to be healed of leprosy. When he was made clean, Naaman realized that the God of Israel is the one true God.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:4**

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## Lesson 46: God Has Mercy on Nineveh

Jonah 1-4

God sent Jonah to warn the people of Nineveh of His judgment. The people repented, and God mercifully spared them from punishment. God has compassion on those whom He will, and His purposes will not be thwarted.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:5**

## **Lesson 46A: God's Word Is Found**

### **2 Chronicles 34; 2 Kings 23:1-23**

Josiah was a good king who followed God and made many changes. When the Book of the Law was found, Josiah wept over the sins of Judah. He destroyed the altars of the false gods and urged his people to follow the LORD alone. God is God alone—He will not share His glory nor allow any god before Him.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## **Lesson 46B: God Reveals Mysteries to Daniel**

### **Daniel 1-2**

Daniel and his three friends trusted God even in Babylon and refused to eat the king's food. God gave them wisdom and understanding, and He helped Daniel to know and understand the king's dream. God honors those who trust in Him, and He reveals who He is by working wonders.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## **Lesson 47: God Delivers Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego from a Fiery Furnace**

### **Daniel 3**

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden idol. God rescued them from the fiery furnace and showed Nebuchadnezzar that He is able to deliver. God is all-powerful, so nothing is too hard for Him. Faith pleases God.

**Foundation Verse: Psalm 1:6**

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## **Lesson 48: God Will Not Share His Glory with Nebuchadnezzar**

### **Daniel 4**

Nebuchadnezzar boasted in His accomplishments and did not recognize God's sovereign goodness to him. God took away his reason and humbled him so that Nebuchadnezzar would praise God and recognize God's sovereign rule. God is completely and solely in control. He is eternal and His Kingdom is everlasting.

**Foundation Verse: Hebrews 13:16a**

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## **Lesson 49: God Delivers Daniel from the Lions' Den**

### **Daniel 6**

Daniel obeyed God rather than follow the king's law, which would cause him to disobey God. When Daniel was thrown in the lions' den, God shut the lions' mouths. God is the living God who delivers and rescues. Faith pleases God.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## **Lesson 50: God Places Esther in the King's Palace**

### **Esther 1-3**

God gave Esther favor with the king of Persia because God had a plan for Esther and the Jews. God is sovereign and rules over all; nothing can stop God. His purposes will be established.

**Foundation Verse: Proverbs 19:20**

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## Lesson 51: God Delivers His People

### Esther 4-8

God delivered the Jews through Esther. God's plans cannot be thwarted. He is always in control, and Satan has no power over Him.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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## Lesson 52: God's Hand Is upon Nehemiah

### Nehemiah 1-2; 4; 6:15-16

God helped Nehemiah and the Jews to rebuild the wall, even though their enemies tried to stop them. God's promises are true, and He keeps His covenant. God is awesome and worthy of reverence.

**Foundation Verse: Review**

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